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ELECTION IN RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement dated June 2, 2004, Applicants elect the second species upon which read claims 23, 45-53.

R E M A R K S

It is noted that claim 23 is generic to claim 45 since the step (a) in claim 23 includes the wet-laid paper-making process of steps (a) – (d) in claim 45. Moreover, the curing step (b) of claim 23 includes the step (h) of curing in claim 45. Simply put, the four steps of claim 23 include steps (a) through (i) of claim 45, which makes claim 23 generic. This is further evidenced by the fact that dependent claims 46-53 are directed to a wet-laid process and all depend from claim 23.

Respectfully submitted,

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